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## The Need of More Battleships.

In his annual report Secretary Bonaparte of the navy department points out that national safety depends upon the construction of more battleships. The United States occupies a unique position as far as safety from invasion is concerned. It is separated by three thousand miles of ocean on the east and by six thousand miles of ocean on the west from any possible enemy. Given one of the strongest navies in the world we are absolutely safe from invasion, and are not under the necessity of maintaining a tremendous army as the European countries are compelled to do. European countries have to keep not only large navies but also large armies all the time, not so much for the purpose of waging war as to guarantee peace. The United States not having any powerful neighbors bordering it, is not under the necessity of providing for a large army during times of peace. And in time of war no foreign nation would be able to land a force in our country in the face of a large navy. The greatest need of this country, as Secretary Bonaparte says, is more battleships. If it were as easy to build a battleship as it is to recruit a regiment, we wouldn't have to bother so much about the question of strengthening our navy. Unfortunately, however, it takes from two to three years to build a first class battleship and if the time for building such a battleship is put off until war has been declared the war would have been fought and settled long before the ship was completed.

Just at the present time we hear murmurings of trouble with Japan. Japan's naval strength is now the greatest it has ever been. She captured battleships and armored cruisers from Russia during the late war which have been completely overhauled and put in first class condition. Besides this she has added several new battleships built in England. Only recently the largest battleship ever built was launched in Japan for her navy. Japan is in tip top condition for a war with us, and it looks decidedly as though she is looking for one too. The San Francisco school question is only a trivial thing but the Japanese are magnifying it to proportions that will almost justify them in going to war with us.

If Japan can force a war on us during the next year or so, she will have us practically as much at her mercy as she had Russia. Almost all our sea power is located on the Atlantic ocean, and Japan, with her present strength on the Pacific could easily wipe out our small naval force there. To assure our country peace, Congress should take steps to build enough battleships and armored cruisers for service in the Pacific to completely out-class Japan. We should in fact have at least twenty battleships on the Pacific and a similar number on the Atlantic. Upon the completion of the Panama canal the power of such a force would be about doubled, so easy would it be for the two fleets to combine. But for the present we have no Panama canal to render easy the joining of our Pacific and Atlantic fleets and won't have for many years. Therefore it is up to Congress to provide enough warships to thoroughly protect our Pacific coast line from the consequences of any probable war with Japan just at present.

## LITTLE GAS MAKES TOO MUCH ASHES

Street Commissioner Dye Troubled with Matter of Cleaning Alleys.

## LARGE FORCE IS NEEDED

IN SOME OF THE ALLEYS THE ASHES HAVE NOT BEEN TAKEN UP FOR TWO WEEKS—HOUSEWIVES ANGRY.

Street Commissioner Ed Dye has a perplexing problem on hand just now with reference to clearing the alleys of the city of the veritable mountains of ashes. Though the force now employed in this work is working its full time limit, there is apparently no relief in sight for the city as a whole until more men and teams are added. The condition now prevailing is a natural and direct result of the shift from natural gas to coal and wood. Six or eight years ago when the home that used coal or wood as a heating fuel was an exception, there was little difficulty in keeping alleys clear of ashes.

From that time until the present the change of fuel has been gradual and now the home that does not use coal or wood is an exception and a very rare one at that. In consequence alleys have been the dumping grounds of tons and tons of the residue of coal and wood fires and work as hard as it may, the force employed is not adequate to the demands upon it. There are some alleys in Richmond which have not been visited by the ash gatherers in two weeks and housewives who pride themselves in having alleyways as neat as the streets in front of their homes naturally complain. The season is here when the women's troubles are ended, but he has a worthy successor in woes in the ash man. Street Commissioner Dye said yesterday afternoon that he realized fully what he was up against in the ash-gathering proposition and that he would be compelled to have an additional force.

## Arguments on Motion.

Friday, Dec. 7.—Virgil P. Kline and S. H. Tolles of Cleveland, and J. C. Troup of Bowling Green, attorneys of the Standard Oil company of Ohio, argued the motion to dismiss the petition in error, because it is claimed the common pleas court has no jurisdiction to review the proceedings of the probate court in criminal cases. The petition in error raised the question among others that the probate court has no jurisdiction to try cases under the Valentine anti-trust law. Other questions are alleged errors of the probate court. All of them are technical. The outcome of the arguments will determine whether John D. Rockefeller and the three indicted Standard Oil directors, J. M. Robertson, M. G. Vilas and H. P. McIntosh of Cleveland, will be brought to plead to the indictments.

## INDIANA IN FOURTH PLACE

## SOME CANNING STATISTICS

Census Figures Give Out Figures Which Shows Amount of Canned Fruits and Vegetables Put up by Different States.

[Publishers' Press.] Washington, Dec. 7.—Indiana now ranks fourth among the States in the canning of fruits and vegetables. The five leading states, ranked according to the value of all products canned, are California, Maryland, New York, Indiana and Illinois. The Census Bureau today made public statistics on the canning industry, as disclosed by the census of manufactures taken last year. Two thousand seven hundred and three establishments were in operation when the census was taken. Their total capital was \$70,082,076, and they employed 53,862 persons, paid out \$17,454,308 in wages consumed materials costing \$70,058,686, and manufactured products to the value of \$108,505,471. In all of these items except that of the number of persons employed, the industry shows a marked increase since the census of 1900. The decrease in the number of persons employed was slight, and was due to the increased use of the contract system, under which laborers are not reported as employees.

## A BAD WRECK IN MAINE

## FOUR MEET THEIR DEATH

Two Freights in Head on Collision Said to Have Been Due to a Misunderstanding of Orders—Eight Cars Demolished.

[Publishers' Press.] Lewiston, Me., Dec. 7.—Four people were killed and three others seriously injured in a head-on collision between a special and regular freight train on the Maine Central railroad near Ansonia. The wreck was said to be due to a misunderstanding of orders. Both trains were going so fast when they met that eight of the 13 cars of the special were hurled over the engine, and demolished with the greater part of the contents. The track was blocked for hours.

The dead are: Fireman Hodges of the special, Engineer Fletcher of the regular train, Engineer Harriman of the special, brakeman Rowe of Lewiston. Fireman Charles of the regular train sustained a compound fracture of arm, which may have to be amputated at shoulder. Two brakemen were badly cut about the head and sustained severe scalds and burns.

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## SIX ARE KILLED IN CORNELL FIRE

Fiske Mansion Occupied by Chi Psi Fraternity Burned to Ground.

## HAD ORIGIN IN BASEMENT

BUILDING WAS ONE OF SANDSTONE AND WAS HANDSOMELY DECORATED—BUILT BY MRS. JENNIE FISKE.

[Publishers' Press.] Ithaca, N. Y., Dec. 7.—The Chi Psi fraternity house at Cornell university caught fire, and soon the structure was ablaze. Before firemen could arrive O. L. Schmuck of Hanover, Pa., jumped from a third story window and was so severely injured he died. This makes the probable dead six, including three of Ithaca's volunteer firemen, who were killed while fighting the flames. Four students lie in the infirmary at the point of death.

The chapter house was built by Mrs. Jennie McGraw Fiske on the campus overlooking Cayuga Lake, but never occupied by her because of her premature death. The building was a beautiful structure of sandstone. The interior was handsomely decorated with marble and mahogany. The walls were of double rubble and collapsed under flames and high wind.

The volunteer firemen killed were A. S. Robinson, a lawyer and a graduate of Cornell; Esty Landon and John Rumsey. They were manipulating hose when a wall collapsed on them and they slowly roasted under the burning debris. When the firemen arrived screams of two men appearing in the windows of the southeast tower over the main entrance were heard. For some reason the men hesitated to jump. Before they could be reached the tower collapsed and they were buried under the ruins. The fire started in the kitchen, in the basement of the chapter house, and the flames gained considerable headway before students in the house were awakened.

The chapter house burned rapidly and the walls cracked apart in all directions. The fire was so hot the firemen were driven from one side of the building. They put up a hard fight, but the walls were so hot attempt at rescue was impossible.

Although Schmuck got out of the building, he went back for his roommate, H. M. Nichols of Chicago, and in the attempt to rescue his comrade he was so seriously injured he died. Nichols is missing and is believed to be one of the victims.

Among those who were taken from the ruins was J. M. McCutcheon of Pittsburgh, the football fullback substitute. He was in a pitiable condition, bleeding from cuts caused by falling timbers and bricks. He died of his injuries.

C. J. Pope, a freshman of the fraternity, is missing and is supposed to be under the ruins.

F. W. Greele of Orange, N. J., a freshman, is supposed to be dead.

W. W. Goetz of Milwaukee, R. R. Powers of Atlanta, and H. M. Curry, Jr., of Pittsburgh were injured.

This is the most serious disaster that ever occurred at Cornell, though at the Delta Chi chapter house fire some years ago several lives were lost.

## WORK GOES ON NICELY

## THE POLES PUT IN PLACE

Supt. Neff Says Panhandle Light Plant Will Be in Readiness to Supply Wants of Company Within the Time Specified.

The work on the new Pennsylvania lighting plant is progressing very rapidly and although the machinery has not yet arrived it is expected in the course of the next few days. The poles which will be used have been put in place and the wires will be connected so soon as the dynamos arrive.

Supt. Neff stated yesterday that he could not say as to the exact time when the railroad company would quit using power from the city light plant, but it would be within the six month's limit set by the railroad company and notice given to the Board of Public Works.

## Preparing the Answer.

[Publishers' Press.] Washington, Dec. 7.—Major A. P. Blockson of the inspector general's department, one of the officers who investigated the Brownsville, Tex., affair, arrived from his station at Oklahoma City in response to a summons, and with Inspector General Garlington had a conference with Secretary Taft relative to the character of the answer to be submitted to the senate resolutions regarding the discharge of the First battalion of the Twenty-fifth infantry.

Dean Fined. Chicago, Dec. 7.—Walter M. Deane, agent in this city of the Canton Rubber company, was fined \$2,500 in the United States district court. Dean, with officers of the rubber company, recently sentenced to serve one year each in the house of correction, was indicted on a charge of conspiring to violate the federal law governing interstate traffic in articles used for immoral purposes.

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## PUZZLE--FIND THE GAS

## THAT IS--NATURAL GAS

Authorities go so far as to Say That Water Will Boil Over Natural Gas Provided Enough Time is Given--Local Situation.

The natural gas situation locally is not improved so that any of the housewives notice it. Persistence will accomplish many things and so it comes about that water may be made to boil if time is given it. The time required varies in different parts of the city, but generally speaking the pressure of the gas is so low that often doubt arises as to whether gas fires are really lighted. Yesterday cold weather increased the demands made upon the supply and the depleted pressure was perhaps more in evidence than ever before this winter. The gas company has been making a strenuous effort to get its "new stack" of Henry county fuel piped into the homes of its Richmond patrons and the company officers have said from the beginning of the work that there was every indication that this winter's supply would probably be as bountiful as last. There still is reason to believe that the situation will be relieved to a considerable extent within the next day or two, and in the meantime the users of natural gas are living hope on partially cooked food.

## DEADLY SERPENT BITES.

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## BLOOMINGPORT.

Bloomington, Dec. 7. (Spl.)—Mr. and Mrs. Luther King of near Greensfork were callers in our vicinity Monday.

Sam Vore called on W. W. Newman Thursday evening. The following were guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Newman Thursday: Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Smith of Winchester, Mrs. E. W. McCurdy of Danville, Ind., and Mr. and Mrs. Will White of Rahway, N. J.

Anderson Stevens from north of Winchester has moved into the Gray property near here.

## Turnpike Claims.

The board of Wayne county commissioners will be in session today and will take up the consideration of turnpike claims.

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## MESSAGE PLEASED

## THE JAP CONSUL

K. Uyenoa Regards President's Document as a Noteworthy Instrument.

## ANTICIPATES NO TROUBLE

HE LIKES NATURALIZATION PLAN ESPECIALLY WELL AND THINKS JAPS WOULD TAKE ADVANTAGE OF IT.

[Publishers' Press.]

San Francisco, Dec. 7.—In an interview bearing on the recommendations made in his message by President Roosevelt on Japanese naturalization and on the segregation of their children in schools, K. Uyenoa, Japan's consul here, says: "Sentiment is practically universal among the 10,000 Japanese in San Francisco that the recommendations made by the president constitute the most rational solution of the Japanese problem yet attempted. The Japanese are not only pleased with the message, but they regard it as one of the most noteworthy documents of international questions issued from the White House. There is no question but the bonds between Japan and the United States would be considerably strengthened by conferring the privilege of franchise on the Japanese in California. There are some 50,000 Japanese in the state, and while I am not in a position to say how many of these would take advantage of naturalization privileges, I do think that the number would be comparatively large. I think this would be especially so in the case of the Japanese in San Francisco. Many Japanese have family and property interests here, and they would naturally regard San Francisco as their permanent home once they believed they had the same privileges as other aliens. Concerning the school segregation question a lot is being written and talked about it that is due to misconception of the facts in the case. I think the entire matter will be solved satisfactorily, and that there is no occasion for believing otherwise. The Japanese are not striving for anything unreasonable, and are quite willing to let the facts in the dispute guide whatever decision is to be ultimately rendered."

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## RICHMOND A HARD TOWN

## ELI WILLIAMS' OPINION

Often Had Committed Thefts in Ohio But Had Never Suffered Punishment—Goes to the Penitentiary From Here Today.

Eli Williams, colored sentenced to the reformatory at Jeffersonville for a period of from one to three years for the theft of an overcoat from the Simmons cigar store, will "snooze" on an iron bunk in the state institution tonight. When he gets up for his first Sunday morning repast for which the State will pay, he will not see maple syrup and buckwheat cakes on the menu. Williams will leave for Jeffersonville this morning in charge of Patrolman McNally of the city police force, who has been deputized by Sheriff Smith to make the transfer. Williams, who recently came from Oxford, O., to Richmond evidently thinks the way of the transgressor is hard in Hoosierdom. He has been guilty of many petty thefts in the Buckeye state but always escaped a trip to the penitentiary. His first misstep here landed him in severe difficulty and he will meditate for at least one year and possibly three.

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